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Dear Examiner Farahanl,

Thank you for your willingness to consider our discussion points to decide whether you feel a telephone interview is appropriate in the above-identified application.

I think the primary focus of our interview should be a discussion about where the "second signal" expressly called out in claims 1 and 3 can be found in your primary reference Furuhata—we saw no mention of this element in either your First Office Action after the Appeal, or the second.

I would also like to ask that any interview include your supervisor, since we would like to have someone with signatory authority present to approve any claim changes that may be required. We would like to avoid costs to our client and would not like to have to appeal this case a second time if it can be avoided. PAGE 1 OF 2 INTERVIEW DISCUSSION POINTS (INFORMAL)

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If possible, please respond to our request prior to March 9, 2004 so that it is possible for us to determine if an appeal will be required before an extension fee is required.

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Respectfully submitted,

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